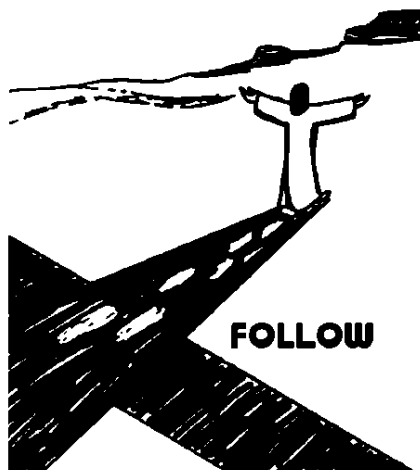




FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED,
THROUGH FAITH—AND THIS NOT FROM
YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD.
EPH 2:8-9

February 22nd, 2015

Evangelism Sunday



I Hear the Savior Calling

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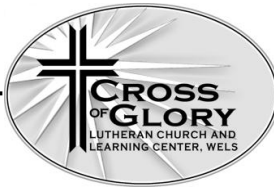
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Welcome! We are glad you are here with us today. Our service today follows an order of worship which places the spotlight on God's Word and its central message of peace through Jesus. You can follow the outline of the service in this worship folder. The hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal: Christian Worship (CW) or the blue hymnal: Christian Worship Supplement (CWS).

Holy Communion: We offer classes (Basic Bible Christianity) for those desiring to take the sacrament. If you are a newcomer, please take these classes before communing or speak with our pastor.

GATHERING RITE

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Refrain (Sung by choir and then repeated by congregation):



Choir: *A Son to shine in our darkness, a light to cast out despair. He comes to take away evil, and in his light we have life!*

Refrain (sung by congregation)

Choir: *And ev'ryone who believes will have eternal life. Lord, lifted up, we come to you with wonder, thanks and praise.*

Refrain (sung by congregation)

M: As we prepare to celebrate the wonder of Christ's love, let us confess our sin and ask the Lord for pardon and strength:

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Choir: *Do not live in fear. Called to life, arise! Turn away from sin. O come, Lord, enter in.*

Refrain x 2 (sung by congregation)

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST LESSON.....Jonah 3:1-5; 10

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: ²"Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you." ³Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very important city-- a visit required three days. ⁴On the first day, Jonah started into the city. He proclaimed: "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overturned." ⁵The Ninevites believed God. They declared a fast, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. ¹⁰When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he had compassion and did not bring upon them the destruction he had threatened.

PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 62



- M:** My soul finds rest in 'God alone; *
- C:** my salvation 'comes from him.
- M:** He alone is my rock and my sal'vation; *
- C:** he is my fortress, I will never be 'shaken.
- M:** Find rest, O my soul, in 'God alone; *
- C:** my hope 'comes from him.
- Refrain**
- M:** Though your ri'ches increase, *
- C:** do not set your 'heart on them.
- M:** My salvation and my honor de'pend on God; *
- C:** he is my mighty rock, my 'refuge.

M: Trust in him at all times, O ‘people; *
C: pour out your hearts to him, for God is our ‘refuge.

Glory be to the Father and ‘to the Son*
and to the Holy ‘Spirit,
as it was in the be’ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. ‘Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON.....Acts 13:1-5

In the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. ² While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." ³ So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off. ⁴ The two of them, sent on their way by the Holy Spirit, went down to Seleucia and sailed from there to Cyprus. ⁵ When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the Jewish synagogues. John was with them as their helper.

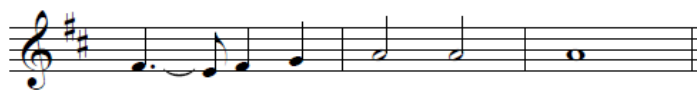
THE VERSE OF THE DAY.....Matthew 4:23

M: Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease.

GOSPEL.....Mark 1:14-20

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!" ¹⁶ As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." ¹⁸ At once they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. ²⁰ Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise — be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY.....I Hear the Savior Calling (#560)

SERMON.....Mark 1:14-20

THEME: “Leave Your Nets: A Dangerous Proposition, A Powerful Call”

CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER

OFFERING

The members of Cross of Glory are happy to support its ministry with their financial gifts. If you are visiting us today, do not feel obligated to give an offering.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M:** Eternal God and Father, we give you thanks for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, for fellowship with believers in our congregation and in our synod.
- C:** **Help us to rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and to use them faithfully.**
- M:** Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, O Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.
- C:** **Awaken us to the opportunities you give to proclaim your message of love.**
- M:** Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.
- C:** **Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.**
- M:** Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, an acquaintance, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

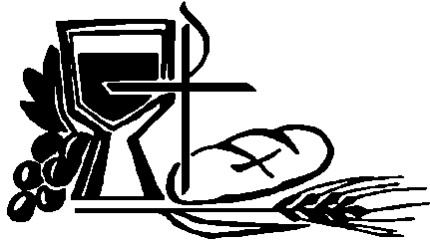
Silent prayer.

- M:** Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.
- C:** **Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- C:** **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT



M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

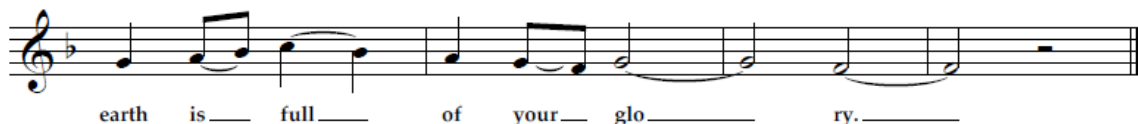
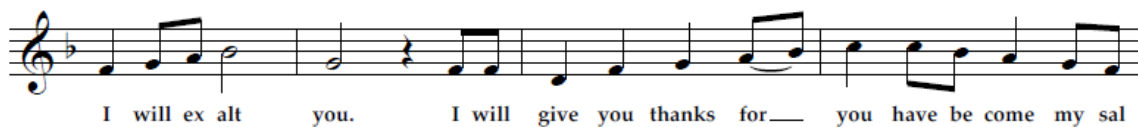
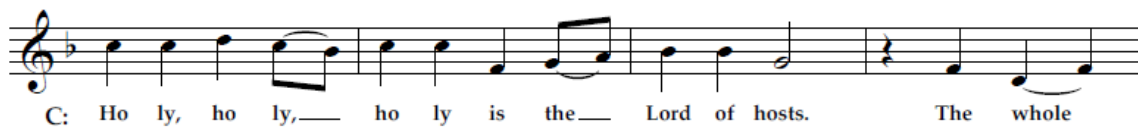
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*SANCTUS*)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*AGNUS DEI*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a way the sin of the world; have mer cy on—

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sin of the world; grant us your peace. A— men.

The musical notation is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and half notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. There are four lines of music and lyrics.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give (CW # 542)

CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

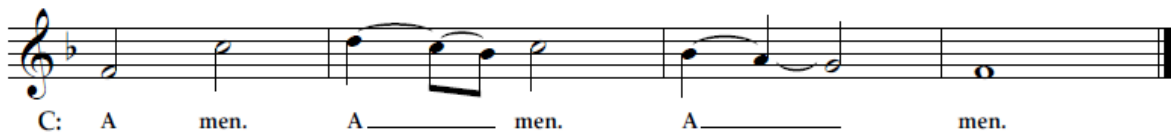
M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A— men.

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M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN.....O Christ, Who Called the Twelve (#770)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

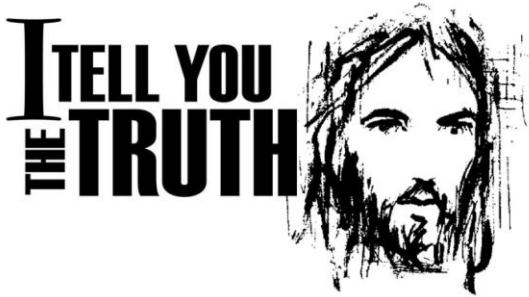
MEASURE OF LOVE

Last Sunday’s Attendance : Worship: 56; Communion: 35.
Offerings to the Lord: General Fund - 2/8: \$4644, 2/15: \$3091.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday (2/25):	10:00 a.m.	Children’s Chapel
	5:30 p.m.	Soup Supper
	6:30 p.m.	Midweek Lent Worship
Friday (2/27):	7:00 p.m.	COG Night at the Ballpark
Sunday (3/1):	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
	10:30 a.m.	Worship with Communion

LENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP AND SOUP SUPPERS



On Wednesdays in Lent, we have soup suppers starting at 5:30 and an evening prayer service at 6:30. Our theme for our services this year is "I Tell You the Truth." Each service will focus on one of Jesus' attention-getting and faith-building statements, highlighted in the Scripture by the words, "I tell you the truth."

Feb. 25th - "Faith can move mountains."

Mar. 4th - "Fruits of faith will be remembered."

Mar. 11th - "One of you will betray me."

Mar. 18th - "You will disown me."

Mar. 25th - "If one dies, it produces life for many."

COG NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH



We are ready for our outing to the LSU baseball game this Friday, February 27th. For those who signed up, the tickets cost \$4 a piece, which can be paid to Steve Erwin. There is a sign up sheet in the entryway for our directed pregame tailgate.

SAVE THE DATE - EASTER FOR KIDS ON MARCH 28TH



Our annual Easter for Kids event will be held on Saturday, March 28th, from 9:30 - Noon. There will be music, crafts, Bible story and an egg hunt. There will be plenty of volunteer opportunities for our members (a sign up sheet is in the church). This is a great event for children to come and bring a friend (or two)!